

2016 CAR GOLD MEDAL AWARD DR. GREGORY J. BUTLER, NOVA SCOTIA

The Canadian Association of Radiologists (CAR) is pleased to announce that Dr. Gregory J. Butler has been selected as the recipient of the 2016 CAR Gold Medal Award.

Dr. Butler is an active staff radiologist at Valley Regional Hospital in Kentville, Nova Scotia, where he has practiced for over 30 years, specializing in vascular/interventional radiology and nuclear medicine. He is also a lecturer in radiology at Dalhousie University.

Over a long and brilliant career, Dr. Butler has built an impressive record of achievement and service to his profession. He pioneered the application of thrombolysis for vascular occlusion – one of the first in Canada – and has performed countless angiograms, angioplasties and stent insertions. Dr. Butler was the founding head of the Department of Diagnostic Services and Chief of Staff at Valley Regional Hospital. He has also held leadership roles in Ontario and in the Northwest Territories, the latter in response to a critical shortage of radiology service coverage in the territory. Dr. Butler

introduced teleradiology to the Stanton Territorial Hospital in Yellowknife where he performed the first remote radiology services in 2006 and served as the clinical lead of the hospital's radiology department for three years.

Dr. Butler's extensive voluntary contributions to radiology and to the medical community at large include service as President of the Nova Scotia Association of Radiologists and leadership positions with the Medical Society of Nova Scotia (now Doctors Nova Scotia), the Provincial Medical Board of Nova Scotia (now the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Nova Scotia), the Canadian Medical Association, the CAR, the Canadian Radiological Foundation (CRF), the Radiological Society of North America and the American College of Radiology (ACR) – to name only a few.

Dr. Butler's involvement with the CAR stretches back to 1989 when he served as Nova Scotia coordinator for a CAR national research project on contrast media. He has since worked tirelessly on behalf of the Association, including as executive member for over 15 years, representative to the ACR for nine years, and member and chair of various CAR committees. Dr. Butler most recently served five years as Chair of the CAR Board Working Group on Practice Guidelines where he oversaw the development of high-quality guidelines. In addition, Dr. Butler has served on the CRF Board of Directors for three separate terms and is presently its Secretary-Treasurer.

As appreciated by his patients as he is admired by his peers, Dr. Butler truly embodies professionalism and quality, topics on which he has written and spoken widely. His distinguished achievements are only surpassed by his modesty and genuine kindness. For his countless contributions to radiology, his dedicated service to the CAR and his exemplary leadership, we are proud to present Dr. Butler with the 2016 CAR Gold Medal Award.